

musical fountain, workers memorial, silver jubilee monument of Durgapur Steel Plant, installation of statue of Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru etc.

3. ROURKELA STEEL PLANT:

A sum of Rs. 45. lakhs is proposed to be spent on works which include integrated development of existing Indira Gandhi park, installation of Aquarium, renovation of existing lakes, setting up of bird Aviary, crocodile rearing centre etc.

4. BOKARAO STEEL PLANT:

A sum of Rs. 3133 lakhs has been earmarked for works which include development of city park, lake, rose garden, development of botanical garden, picnic spot, nursery, Khatel development programme to free township from cattle menace etc.

5. VISAKHAPATNAM STEEL PLANT;

The Visakhapatnam Steel Project is still under construction. A provision of Rs. 10 crores has been provided in 1992-93 for new township out of which some amount will be spent towards development of parks, play-grounds, road side plantation and lighting etc.

Re-classification of Marble

7205. SHRIMATI VASUNDHRA RAJE: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to re-classify marble and granite as major minerals;

(b) if so, the basis on which the re-classification has been made;

(c) whether the Government of Rajasthan has opposed the move to re-

classify those minerals as major minerals; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to reconsider the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) and (b). There is no such proposal at present.

(c) Yes.

(d) In view of reply top (a) and (b), the question does not arise.

[Translation]

Regarding Sharing of Electricity from Maurakshi Dam by Bihar and West Bengal

7206. SHRI LALIT ORAON:
SHRI RAMDEW RAM:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) when the Maurakshi Dam agreement was signed between Bihar and West Bengal and the rates on which renewed and salient features of the agreement;

(b) the percentage of share of share of power and water fixed in the agreement to be given to Bihar and Bengal from the dam;

(c) the installed power generation capacity of the Dam;

(d) the year-wise details of the power generated during the last five years and from this dam and the year-wise percentage share received by West Bengal and Bihar;

(e) whether less power was given to Bihar as against the terms of agreement

during the last three years; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES(SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). An agreement for utilisation of water resources of the Damodar barakar, Ajoy, Mayurakshi-Sidheshwari-Noon Beel and Mahananda river basins was reached by the Chief Ministers of Bihar and West Bengal on 19-7-1978. The relevant features of the agreements regarding utilisation of water resources of Mayurakshi-Sidheshwari-Noon Beel basin are given in the attached statement. In this agreement there is no mention of any Power Sharing from Mayurakshi Hydro-electric Project.

(c) The installed capacity of Power generation from Mayurakshi Hydro-electric Project is $2 \times 2 = 4$ MW.

(d) to (f). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

EXTRACT FROM THE AGREEMENT ON UTILISATION OF THE WATER RESOURCES OF THE DAMODAR BARKAR, AJAY, MAYURAKSHI SIDHAESHWARI NOON BEEL AND MAHANANDA RIVER BASINS, WHERE BIHAR AND WEST BENGAL ARE CO-BASIN STATES, REACHED BY THE CHIEF MINISTER OF WEST BENGAL AND BIHAR AT PATNA ON THE 19TH JULY, 1978 RELATING TO MAYURAKSHI SIDHESHWARI-NOON BEEL BASIN.

II. *Mayurakshi-Sidheswari - Noon Beel Basin*

(i) Irrigation commitment to Bihar from Mayurakshi Dam shall be honored by not

lowering the reservoir water level below RL 363.0 as far as practicable during kharif season through suitable reservoir regulation. The water level will not be lowered below RL 349 (i.e. dead storage level) in any case. West Bengal would bear the cost of operation of the pumps for Mayurakshi reservoir;

(ii) West Bengal may construct the Sidheshwari Noon Beel Dam for utilising upto a maximum of 1.60 lakh acre ft. the balance yield of the rivers will be reserved for use in Bihar upstream of this Dam. There will be no flood storage in this Dam;

(iii) There will be a joint control of the Mayurakshi and Sidheshwari-Noon Beel reservoirs by Bihar and West Bengal after the Sidheshwari Noon Beel reservoir comes for commissioning;

(iv) West Bengal will make available to Bihar 10,000 acre ft. of water from Sidheshwari Noon Beel Dam for irrigation of the areas lying on the right bank of Mayurakshi in Rameshwar Block of Santhal Parganas free of cost;

(v) West Bengal will bear the cost of land acquired and rehabilitation for the areas submerged in Bihar by Sidheshwari Noon Beel Dam as per scale and standard fixed by the Government of Bihar.

[English]

Urjagram Yojana

7207. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN:
SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH
YADAV:
SHRI KASHIRAM RANA:
DR. ASIM BALA:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state: